

REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 6-9, 12-15, 17-22, 24 and 25 are pending. Claims 5, 10 and 11 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the Personal Interview of July 14, 2004. As discussed therein, Applicant has incorporated the allowable features of claim 5 into claim 1. Thus, because none of the cited references teach or suggest to provide a resilient section which "flexes or forms a pivot line," Applicant respectfully submits that each claim reciting this subject matter recites allowable subject matter.

Additionally, as requested by the Examiner, Applicant has amended the preamble of the claims to more clearly recite an apparatus.

Finally, although not expressly noted in the Interview Summary Record, Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that the rejection of claim 1 under 35 USC § 112, first paragraph, has been withdrawn.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that all objections and rejections are overcome. Thus, entry of the above amendments and passage of this application to allowance are respectfully requested.

If the examiner is of the opinion that a brief telephonic or personal interview would facilitate any additional issues leading to the allowance of the application, he is kindly invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 785-0100.

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